

## **Notice to Registered Barber Examination Applicants**

### **Exam Instructions**

**Read these instructions carefully.**

**The Board may fail applicants that do not follow these instructions**

**Written Examination:** 100 multiple choice and true/false questions you will have 2 hours to complete the written exam.

### **Practical Examination:**

All applicants furnish their own models and personal tools for the practical portion of the examination.

You will have 2 hours from the start of the examination to complete all services and clean your work station.

1. Perm: Roll six rods; three forward and three backward on mannequin. Mannequins head may not be facing the barber when rolling.
2. Haircut – Conventional Taper only.

#### **Conventional Taper Haircut**

- Haircut must be finished with visible outline and full ear showing.
  - Model's hair must not be precut and must be a minimum of 2 inches (2") long on top before the haircut. Model may be rejected if hair is too short.
  - Remove at least one inch (1") of hair during the haircut.
  - At least one inch (1") of hair must be remaining on the top after the haircut. Hair cut being too short may result in loss of points or failure.
  - No plastic attachments or changing of blade sizes allowed.
  - No Blocking
  - Haircut will be evaluated for precision of the taper, outline and overall balance. At least one inch (1") of hair on top is required for this evaluation.
3. Shave – Full, clean, straight razor shave is required.
  4. Facial
  5. Clean up – Workstation must be cleaned after the board evaluates your services and before you leave the exam area.

### **Model:**

1. Applicants are encouraged to have a back- up model "on call" for the examination.
2. The Board reserves the right to reject models.
3. You will be allowed to attempt to find a new model if needed. Time spent finding a new model is part of the two-hour practical examination. No additional time will be given if you have to search for a replacement model. Models with hair too short to meet the haircut requirements will be rejected.
4. **Per MN Rules 2100.3100** The Board of Barber Examiners shall have discretion to change, supply, or reject models for an applicant's use in the practical parts of the examination in order to insure that the practical parts of the examination will be a fair test of the applicant's ability.
5. **Models may be exchanged by the Board;** their cooperation will be expected.

### **Tools**

1. You must bring the following tools and equipment to the exam, they will not be provided for you.
  - Straight razor and extra blades
  - styptic powder
  - perm comb
  - water bottle
  - cape
  - cape clip
  - combs
  - brushes
  - clippers (no plastic attachments or changing of blade size allowed during the exam)

- finisher
- shears
- neck strips

2. The school will supply:

- perm rods and paper
- mannequin for perm rod rolling
- towels: hot and dry towels will be provided, 3 hot and 3 dry towels should be enough, please be considerate of others and use no more towels than absolutely necessary.
- lather
- Facial cream

### **General Information:**

1. You should be dressed in a clean and professional manner: No jeans, no shorts, no sweat pants, no hats, no open toe shoes, no dirty, torn or ill-fitting clothing. Failure to dress appropriately may result in point deductions and possible failure.
2. All sanitation and disease control procedures must be followed during the examination. Failure to follow appropriate sanitation and disease control procedures will result in point deductions and possible failure.
3. All electronic devices must be turned off and put away at all times.
4. No study materials are allowed in the examination area.
5. Do not bring children or extra individuals to the exam. Only the applicant and his or her model(s) will be admitted during the exam.
6. You will have 2 hours to complete the practical services portion of the exam including haircut, shave, facial, perm rods, and clean up. You should be done with all services and off the floor by the end of the two hours. Running out of time may result in exam failure.
7. You will have an additional 2 hours to complete the written examination.
8. To pass the examination you must have a score of 75% or more on the Written and Haircut portions of the exam and score an average score of 75% or more for the facial, shave, and perm combined.
9. Scores will be reported as pass or fail only. You may review your results one time in the office after you have received your results letter. Please contact the office for details after you have received your letter.
10. Your results will be mailed within 5 working days of the exam.
11. **NO scores will be released by phone.** Calling the office for results will delay the letters for yourself and others.
12. Your registration status will be updated in the Board's license verification section of the website when all exams have been scored and as exams are electronically processed.